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Title

A CLEANING KIT AND/OR DISHWASHING KIT

CONTAINING A FOAM-GENERATING DISPENSER AND A CLEANING AND/OR DISHWASHING COMPOSITION

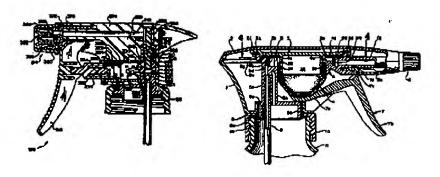
DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.132

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450 Dear Sir:

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- I, Rafael Ortiz, hereby declare the following:
- 1. THAT: I received a B.S. degree in Chemistry from California State University in Los Angeles in 1988, and a PhD in Organic Chemistry from UCLA in 1993. I am employed as a Senior Scientist by The Procter & Gamble Company, and have been working at Procter & Gamble for eleven (11) years in the field of laundry and home cleaning detergent formulation.
- 2. THAT: I assumed responsibility in The Procter & Gamble Company for projects relating to foam-generating kits and have read the above reference patent application and am familiar with its contents.
- 3. I have reviewed the Office Action dated June 13, 2006, and U.S. Patent 5,075,026 issued to Loth et al.. Specifically, the following statement in the Office Action:

- "* * * When intended for use in the neat form, the liquid compositions can be packaged under pressure in an aerosol container or in a <u>pump-type</u> sprayer for the so-called spray-and-wipe type of application (see col. 13, lines 45-48 [of Loth et al.]). [emphasis original] * * * It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have employed a dispenser, i.e., pump-type sprayer wherein the foam generated from the dispenser would exhibit a foam having a foam to weigh ratio within those recited because similar ingredients with overlapping viscosity and similar dispenser have been utilized."
- 4. It is my opinion that the "pump-type sprayer" discussed in Loth et al. refers to a trigger action type sprayer such as that sold with hard surface cleaning products such as Mr. Clean® Antibacterial MultiSurface shown in Attachment 1 or similar to the sprayers shown in US 4,527,741 or US 4,155,487



US 4,527,741

US 4,155,487

5. It is my opinion that the pump-type sprayer cannot be equated to or considered similar to a foam-generating dispenser as demonstrated by Table 1 below showing that the composition similar to that discussed in the present application in Example 2 (A) – (E) and (G), when placed in a pump-type sprayer verses a foam-generating dispenser described in the present specification, does not generate the foam to weight ratio claimed in the present application.

	A.	Sprayer	B.	Sprayer
		Mr. Clean AB		As described
		MuliSurface		in Example 1
				and Fig. 1
		Code Stamp:	ŀ	
		52225184319	-	
Volume:		15 mls		110 mls.
Weight:		13.28g		15.12g
V/W ratio:		1.13		7.28
		5 mls.		
		Foam/10 mls.		110 mls.
Observations:		Liquid	ļ	Foam
		1. Place		*
		graduated		
		cylinder on		
		electronic		
		balance and		
Method:		tare to zero.	i	}
		2. Pump each		
		Sprayer 10x		
		into		
		graduated		
		cylinder.		
		3. Record	[
		Volume and	1	
	•	weight.	Į.	

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I, Rafael Ortiz, declare all statements made herein are true to the best of my knowledge, or if made upon information and belief, are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Further Declarants sayeth not.

Rafael Ortiz

Date: Nov. 17, 2006

Attachment I

